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RUSSIAN FLEET MAY REUNITE

SHIP NEAR BATAVIA THAT MAY BE, ROJESTVENSKY'S.

The Squadren Which Passed Singapore Has Anchored in the Anambas, 400 Miles Away-Jap Movements Kept Secret.-Rumor of Fight Discredited.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. SINGAPORE, April 10.- The steamship Gregory Apoar reports that she sighted the Russian fleet at 1 .. M. to-day anchored twenty miles northe st of Manki, one of the Anambas Islands.

The steamship Radnorshire saw the fleet at 1:40 P. M yesterday five miles from Dammar Island steaming in the direction of Manki.

Four warships, apparently Japanese, were sighted off Cape St. James on April 7. Rear Admiral Enkvist, second in command to Admiral Rojestvensky, was in command of the Russian fleet that passed

Singapore on Saturday. AMSTERDAM, April 10 .- A despatch to the Handeleblad from Batavia says that a Russian fleet is near Muntok, which is on the west coast of the island of Banka, be tween Borneo and Sumatra, and is exrected to arrive at Batavia to-day.

It is surmised that this is Rojestvensky and his six battleships, which, separating from the rest of the fleet and making for the Straits of Sunda, have rounded the southern promontory of Sumatra and are now making northward to join the remainder of the fleet.

Banka is about four hundred miles south of the Anambas archipelago.

LONDON, April 11 .- Nothing of importance has been received here in the late reports concerning the Russian or Japanese naval movements. Yesterday's reports cover practically all that is known.

There is doubt in some quarters whether the Russian fleet is in one or two squadrons, but it seems most likely that it has been divided into two divisions.

The Tokio correspondent of the Telegreph says that Japanese warships acting as scouts were the first to sight the Russian warships, which, according to the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, anchored twenty miles northeast of Manki at 1 A. M. April 10.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says that the Ministry of Marine and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs deny that they have received messages from Singapore, and declare that they know nothing of Admiral Rojestvensky's move- dent at the opening of the congress sugments beyond what is contained in the newspaper reports. The contradictory character of many of these reports, the correspondent adds, has arrested the growing confidence in Admiral Rojestvensky's BUCCESS.

REPORT OF ENGAGEMENT DISCREDITED. The reports from Shanghai that an engagement between the rival fleets has already occurred are discredited. There is much anxiety concerning the whereabouts the ships sighted off Singapore. The war party's hopes are greatly stimulated by the fleet's arrival.

It is reported that Admiral Rojestvensky has transferred his flag from the battleship Kniaz Suvaroff to the Aurora.

Torro, April 10 .- It is assumed here that Admiral Rojestvensky does not desire to give battle immediately and will attempt to reach Vladivostok or to seize a base. Many persons believe that he has a second rendezvous in the Pacific and will speedily quit the China Sea and go eastward to the Philippines.

It is expected that owing to the arrival of the Russian fleet in Chinese waters trade will be disorganized for a while. Events are being watched with the keenest interest in Japan, where the courage of the Russians in coming East is praised, while their arrival is exultantly welcomed.

One newspaper compares the Russians to moths gathering about a candle. Absolutely nothing is allowed to be known of the whereabouts of the Japanese squadrons. Naval circles keep impenetrably silent. Speculation regarding the movements of Admiral Togo and the other Japanese naval commanders is futile.

Paris, April 10.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petil Parisien says that the Russian Admiralty has received two long despatches from Admiral Rojest-

vensky. A despatch to the Malin from St. Petersburg says that the opinion prevails strongly in the Admiralty that an action will be fought off the Pescadores Islands, where it is stated the Japanese have established a naval base. [The Pescadores Islands, which Japan acquired with the island of Formosa as part of the spoils of her war with China, lie in the Strait of Formosa, between the island of that name and the coast of China. They are 2,000 miles northeast of the point where the Russian fleet now is.]

OUR SHIPS ON THE WATCH. Patrol Increased in Sulu Archipeiago. Where a Naval Base Might Be Seized.

MANILA, April 10.-Rear Admiral Train. ommander in chief of the Asiatic fleet. has ordered two destroyers and the despatch boat Alava to join the cruiser Raleigh in patrolling the Sulu archipelago, in anticipation of the possible use of the island of Palawan, the most westerly of the Philippines, by either the Russian or Japanese fleet as a belligerent base.

It is unofficially reported that eighteen Russian warships, sixteen transports and a hospital ship are nearing the southern archipelago.

Washington, April 10.-Rear Admiral Train, commanding the Asiatic station, has reported to the Navy Department that he has sent the cruiser Raleigh and a number of torpedo boats and destroyers to Palawan, the southernmost island of the Philippines, to be there in case the Japanese and Russian fleets come together near the Philippines. The action has not been taken on orders from the Navy Department, except those which were sent at the beginning of the war and once or twice since then to see that the neutrality of American ports was

observed. In case there is a battle and vessels of either side find refuge in an American port, the international rules of war will be ob served and the American warships will see that they are. A warship of either of the belligerent fleets may stay within a neutral port, if not disabled, for twentyfour hours. They are also allowed a reasonable time to make slight repairs. If the vessels are totally unable to proceed they must be dismantled and interned until the end of the war.

FIVE JAP OFFICERS HANGED. They Were Caught Photographing the Defences at Vladivestok

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 11 .- Telegrams from Vladivostok state that five Japanese officers disguised as laborers were caught photographing the defences there and were summarily hanged.

Documents found on them showed that they had already sent to Tokio full information about the defences.

RUSSIANS GET MORE SHIPS? Recuforcements Reported Crossing the

Pacific to Help Rojestvensky.

Special Cable Despaich to THE SUN. St. Petersburg, April 10.-It is reported that when the Russian Consul at Singapore went out and spoke the Russian ships as they were passing that port on Saturday, he communicated to Vice-Admiral Enkvist, for the information of Rojestvensky, the name of a place at which a junction could be made with ships which the Russian Government had purchased for his reenforcement and sent by way of the Pacific.

DISORDER IN ST. PETERSBURG. Large Force of Police Sent Hurriedly to

the Putitoff Iron Works. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. St. Petersburg, April 11 .- A large force of police was sent hurriedly to the Putiloff Iron Works late Monday night. Serious disturbances were reported there

BARRISTERS DEFY THE CZAR. Police Disperse Their Congress After Demo-

cratic Resolutions Were Passed. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PETERSBURG, April 10.-The first pan-Russian congress of barristers met o-day, 180 representatives being present No official sanction for the meeting had been given, and consequently the presi-

before the police could interfere.

The meeting, smid enthusiastic cheers, resolved to form an association to foster social and professional activity, and to aim at securing political freedom based on a democratic constitution and to combine with other bodies having a similar aim.

gested that the resolutions be submitted

The president soon afterward announced that he had received a communication from the police that the congress must disperse. This the delegates refused to of the new battleships, which were not with | The chief of police then led into the hall 200 policemen, whereupon those attending the meeting left, shouting defiantly. Mounted troops prevented them from reentering.

FIRES ON RUSSIAN JAILER. Fulle Attempt to Take the Life of Prison

Head at Libau. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUI St. Petersburg, April 10.-The governor of the jail at Libau was fired upon to-day by a would-be assassin, but was not

CONSTITUTION COVERS ALASKA. Supreme Court So Decides on the Ground

That It Is an Incorporated Territory. WASHINGTON, April 10 .- The Supreme Court to-day, in passing upon the conviction of Fred Rasmussen for keeping a disorderly house in Alaska, opened up anew the question of whether the Constitution follows the flag, upon which the court has been almost evenly divided ever since the matter

came up after the war with Spain. The court to-day was unanimous in the opinion that the constitutional provision to trial by jury does exist in Alaska, although it has never been specifically extended there by Congress, and Rasmussen's conviction and the act of Congress under which he was tried by a jury of six men were declared void.

Two of the Justices, Messrs. Brown and Harlan, in concurring in that result, took occasion to announce their views, which differed widely from the reasoning of the majority, and to reaffirm their respective positions in the previous cases. Justice Harlan in particular made a vigorous dissent to the suggestion that the Constitution was not of its own strength extended to any territory upon its acquisition by the United States, however inconvenient it

might be just now."

The opinion of the Court was delivered by Justice White. Taking up the main question, which was whether or not the Constitution applied to Alaska and the prisoner inder it was entitled to a trial by a jury of twelve, he referred to the court's decisions in the insular cases, and said it depended on whether Alaska had been incorporated into the United States as a part thereof, or, like the Philippines, was held as a possession. Under the test in the insular cases, Alaska was evidently incorporated with the United States, for the treaty by which it was ac-quired provided that its inhabitants were to have all the rights of citizens of the United

to have all the rights of citizens of the United States. The same intent had been expressed in several acts of Congress relating to Alaska, notably the judicial acts. To the contention that even if it were in-corporated into the United States the pro-visions for trial by jury did not apply be-cause it was not an organized territory, Justice White said it was not worthy of con-sidential phologon in recognitions. sideration, being an irreconcilable con-flict with the essential principles upon which the constitutional system of government rested and with a long line of decisions. The right to trial in Alaska by common law jury was therefore repugnant to the Con-stitution and void.

Alice Roosevelt Buys a Horse WASHINGTON, April 10 .- Miss Alice Rooseelt has bought from James C. Cooley of New York the bay filly Jessielyn, which started several times at the Bennings track, but failed to win. The filly has been delivered at the White House stables.

HOTEL BEVON, 70 West 55th St., between 5th ad 6th Ave. suites open for inspection. - Ads.

FRENCH SLAY REBEL MOORS.

HELP SULTAN'S TROOPS TO RE-PEL PRETENDER'S FORCES.

Morocean Town Was in Danger of Capture Until the Artillery Was Let Loose -Frontier Cleared-German Feeling Against King Edward Visiting Tangler.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS, April 10 .- A despatch to the Temps from Tangier says that a severe fight occurred yesterday between troops of the Sultan and followers of Bu Amara, the ally of the pretender to the Morcosan throne. The rebels aimed to capture the town of

Ujda. They attacked it from three points. The Sultan's troops, after a stiff fight, were driven southward and were in a critical position when Lieut. Mongin, of the French army, commanding the frontier section of the military mission, took a hand in the fight in behalf of the Sultan's force.

He ordered his artillery to open fire and the rebels were swept away. The French frontier is thus rid of the pretender's bands in accordance with the rights conferred on France by the treaty of 1845 and subsequent agreements.

A despatch to the Matin from Berlin says the report that King Edward will pay a visit to Tangier is very badly received in Germany. In high diplomatic circles the opinion is expressed that the King will deliver an address on the occasion of his visit, and counsel the Sultan of Morocco to accept the good offices of

The Matin publishes an interview with Foreign Minister Tittoni at Rome in which he is quoted as follows:

"The policy of Italy in regard to Morocco is to endeavor to dispel misunderstandings, and the personal action of the King in his interview with the German Emperor at Naples tended to that end. I think that all disputes in future will be obviated when the French and German governments have agreed as to the exact circumstances in which the Anglo-French agreement was communicated by Paris to Berlin. It will not be long before an explanation is forthcoming which will give satisfaction to both parties."

NO WORD FROM ROOSEVELT.

Storm Passes Over Part of the Pasture in Which He is Hunting.

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 10 .- Secretary Loeb said to-day that he had heard nothing from the Presidential camp and that he had bad no communication with it. A report received here was to the effect that a storm had passed over a section of the big pasture in which the Presidential party is chasing coyotes. It evidently did not strike Panther Springs, as Secretary Loeb has heard nothing about it, except the information contained in a press despatch from Frederick.

Former Governor Hogg of Texas is after the scalp of Senator Bailey, and he has taken advantage of the President's tour to direct the attention of the people to the opposition of the Senator to the Administration's canal policy. Opinion is divided in Texas as to whether Hogg can defeat Bailey. The Senator has the best of it in the fight, so far as it has gone. Hogg is not an outspoken candidate, but it is understood that it is his ambition to go to

the Senate. The American Stock Growers' Associa tion, which meets in convention at Denver on May 9, has invited the President to attenditasession. In spite of the President's declaration that he will make no more speeches and attend no more receptions. the cattle men are determined to force him to accept. The citizens of Trinidad, Col., are as equally determined to have him stop in that town and address them. It is not likely that he will accept either of these invitations, for this would mean the beginning of repeated stops and receptions which would delay his return to Washington beyond the end of May.

Secretary Loeb and the party here have been invited to attend a barbecue to be given in their honor to-morrow by the citizens of Fort Worth.

Martin W. Littleton of New York, who ominated Judge Parker for President. said to-day regarding the President's Texas ovation: "I think there are two reasons for this more than anything else. One is the fact of the President's position on the Panama Canal proposition and the other his expansion policy. He gets near the hearts of the people because his speeches are gems of simplicity and he evades the discussion of such momentous questions as the tariff and kindred subjects."

GOSTLY TEMPERANCE CRUSADE.

Blind Tiger Blown Up and \$20,000 Worth of Property Destroyed.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.-Another ettempt on the part of the temperance element of Elnora, Daviess county, to destroy the blind tiger conducted by Arch Yazel was made at an early hour this morning and it was so successful that Yazel's place was not only destroyed, but with it property adjoining, the aggregate value being \$20,000. Some two weeks ago an attempt was made to blow up the blind tiger, but it was only partially successful. Yazel repaired the damage and again began the sale of intoxicants.

Early this morning there was another terrific explosion and a large part of the saloon was blown down. Flames burst forth and a brisk wind carried them to adjoining property. For a time it seemed as though the entire business part of the town was doomed. Half a dozen merchants were burned out before the fire could be subdued. There was no insurance on any of the buildings.

MR. TAKAHIRA MUCH BETTER.

The Japanese Minister Able to Be Taken to His Usual Apartments.

The condition of Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Minister, was so much improved yesterday that he was removed from the Cambridge Hotel to his apartments in the Hotel Majestic. One of Mr. Takahira's attendants said last night that the doctors had not as yet reached a definite diagnosis of his indisposition. It has no connection with his recent attack of appendicitis however, and will probably not require an

LARGE WINTER WHEAT CROP. LINERS TOO NEAR IN THE FOG. The April Condition Indicates an Enermotts Yield

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- According to the statistician of the Department of Agriculture, the average condition of winter wheat on April 1 this year was 91.6. This ompares with 82.9 in December, when the crop went into winter quarters. Last year at this time the condition was reported o be 76.5 and in 1903 the condition was 86.66.

Using the Government report as a basis, Statistician Heinzer of the Produce Exchange estimates that winter wheat will verage 15.4 bushels to the acre. The area seeded last fall was \$1,155,000 acres, so that Mr. Heinzer's estimate indicates a total crop of 479,787,000 bushels.

The Government report for December placed the condition of winter wheat at 82.9, and the increase to 91.6 in the April figures is said to be the largest in a decade.

HIT BY 2 INCH HAILSTONES. Fleree Storm at Pittsburg-Thousands of Panes of Glass Broken.

PITTSBURG, April 10 .- Pittsburg was visited by a severe hailstorm this afternoon. Following a thunderstorm, there was a ombardment of hailstones measuring as much as two inches in diameter. They pelted down with great force, breaking anything of a fragile nature and causing a panic among horses exposed on the streets.

The damage done by the storm will reach nany thousands of dollars. Among the larger losses were the following: Phipps onservatory, Schenly Park, 8,000 panes of glass broken; Easter flower display, loss about \$2,000; private conservatory of H. C. Frick, flower display ruined, loss \$10,000; Allegheny Flower Conservatory, 800 panes of glass broken, with little damage to flowers, loss \$1,000; A. R. Peacock's private conservatory, loss about \$5,000.

According to Forecaster Frank Ridge way, the hailstorm was the most severe ever known in the history of western Pennsylvania. There is no record of hailstones of such enormous size ever having fallen

\$150,000 CROWN ON VIEW. Will Be Presented to the Cathedral at Saragossa, Spain.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN MADRID, April 10.—A magnificent je welled grown, the cost of which was subscribed for by ex-Queen Christina and several Madrid women for the famous image of the Virgin of the Pillar in the Saragossa Cathedral, has been placed on public view in a ieweller's store bere.

Thirty-one experts were employed in making the crown, which is valued at \$150,-There are 10,000 brilliants, emeralds, pearls, sapphires and rubies in the diadem, and 5,000 gems, including an enormous central diamond, in the surrounding nimbus. Six women will take the crown to Rome to be blessed by the Pope before it is presented to the Cathedral at Saragossa.

EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS, 10,000. Casualties in Northern India Now Placed at That Number.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

LAHORE, April 10 .- It is estimated that the total number of victims of the earthquake in Northern India last week was 10,000.

SMITHS ON THE WAY BACK. onsent to Extradition on Charge of Con-

spiracy to Extort Money. CINCINNATI, April 10.-Judge Frederick Spiegel in Common Pleas Court this afteroon dismissed the habeas corpus proceedngs and adthorized the extradition of Morgan Smith and wife. At 6:40 o'clock this evening the Smiths left over the Big Four and the New York Central for the East, escorted by Assistant District Attorney Garvan and Detectives McNaught, Quinn and Urid of New York.

The Smith force of legal defenders was greatly weakened to-day by the calling away of Col Thomas Shay, who has led in their fight and who was compelled to appear in the United States Court in contempt proceedings against himself for alleged interference with a witness in another case. What remained of the force agreed to drop the fight provided Assistant District Attorney Garvan and County Prosecutor Rulison would agree that the Smiths be charged with one offence and one only in money from Casar Young.

This was agreed to and the pr soners were turned over to the representatives of

Both of the Smiths before leaving said hey would be glad to get back to New York.

PATTERSON TRIAL PUT OVER A WEEK. At the District Attorney's office here it was said that no promises had been made to the Smiths that they would not be prosecuted on anything except the conspiracy

charge.
If the Smiths had only made up their minds to waive extradition a little sooner the second trial of Nan Patterson for the murder of Casear Young, which was set for yester-day, would not have been adjourned at the request of the District Attorney's office until next Monday. Miss Patterson was rought over from the Tombs, but was taken into court when Mr. Rand moved for

Rand said he was busy at present with the Grand Jury in the David Rothschild investigation. Abe Levy, of counsel for the prisoner, protested that she was being kept in the Tombs too long and demanded that the trial go on. Recorder Goff said that he could not see that her rights would be interfered with if she was kept in the Tombs for another week, and fixed the trial for next Monday.

GALLANT SCHOOLMA'AM Stops a Runaway and Refuses to Let Anybody Know Her Name.

Louis Schweickert of 1918 Myrtle avenue. Glendale, was driving across Fulton street, at Bay street, Jamaica, yesterday afteroon, when a trolley car bound for the noon, when a trolley car bound for the Broadway ferry hit his carriage, wrecked it and threw him out. Schweickert was bruised. The trolley car was slowing down to take on a group of public school teachers standing on the corner. They saw the collision was inevitable, and cried a warning to Schweickert. He did not head them.

heed them.

When the wagon was hit the horse started to run, but one of the young women grabbed him by the bridle, and although lifted from her feet she delayed him so that a man who jumped from the car caught him. The young woman refused her name, and pleaded with her companions not to

DEWEY'S PURE WINES & GRAPE JUICE. Unequalled for the weak and over-worked. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 138 Fullon St., New York.

TEUTONIC, THE MINNEAPOLIS THINKS, THAT PASSED CLOSE.

They'd Been Taiking by Wireless, but Neither Asked "Was That You?" When They Had Got By-Minneapolis Had to Reverse Engines to Get Out of the Way.

The menace of fog enshrouded icebergs off the Banks on Friday afternoon was augmented by the sudden appearance of a liner out of her course across the bow of the Atlantic Transport steamship Minneapolis, bound hither from London.

The Minneapolis had been in wireless communication with the White Star steamship Teutonic, which sailed hence for Queenstown and Liverpool on Wednesday, and the belief of the Minneapolis's officers is that the ship that came out of the gloom. and after crossing the Minneapolis's course only a few ship lengths away was swallowed up again, was the Teutonic. It was impossible to see the color of her two funnels or to make out her flag, but she was a liner and going at a fair speed. The Minneapolis was forced to reverse her engines to

let the stranger get by. Several hours before this the Minneapolis passed within two ship lengths of a monster iceberg that towered high above her bridge. The bergs have been unusually | 5.65 points. low this season and the prescribed routes for passenger ships therefore go right through the iceberg region.

The North German Lloyd steamship Chemnitz, from Bremen, ploughed through 120 miles of loy water off the Banks on Thursday. She dodged among more than eighty bergs, some of which, her skipper reports, were more than 150 feet high and 600 feet

FIVE MEN DROWNED. They Attempted to Cross the Hudson at Barrytown in a Small Skiff.

POUGHKEEPSIE, April 10.-While James Malloy was rowing six Polanders across the Hudson River at Berrytown to-night the boat capsized and Malloy and four of the Polanders were drowned. The Polanders came to Barrytown to cross the river to Ulster Landing, where they were to work in the icehouse of the New Jersey Ice Company. There being no ferry running and no large boats in the water, Malloy offered to take the men over in his little skiff. It was not able to carry

ver three persons without danger. A strong flood tide was running against heavy north wind and the river was very ough. The six Polanders got in the boat rough. The six Polanders got in the boat and Malloy started them on the journey. When about two-thirds across the river the people at Barrytown heard the cries and shrieks for help from the occupants

f the boat. Two young boys, sons of Nathan Griffin of Ulster Landing, put out in a boat and arrived in time to save two of the Polanders, who were clinging to the overturned skiff. They said that four of their countrymen and an American bad drowned. The rescued men were taken to Ulster Landing, where physicians had hard work to revive them. One of them is in a serious condition. them. One of them is in a serious conductor.

The Polanders all came to Barrytown from Albany, where they had been working during the winter. The rescued men were unable to give the names of the

WOMAN'S FEAT THRILLS CROWD. Climbs Over Coping and Into Window From

11th Story Fire Escape. ADELPHIA, April 10.-Climbing over on the eleventh story of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel to-day, a young woman thrilled hundreds of spectators by creeping over a narrow stone coping and getting into the

hotel through a bathroom window. Half an hour later the management found the heroine of the adventure in the person of Mrs. Mary Harris, a chambermaid. While working upon the eleventh floor she found that the corridor was extremely warm, so she decided to open the door lead-

ing to the fire escape.
The fire escape on the Wainut street front of the house is of the tower variety. trance can be gained from every floor once in the tower there is no way of getting back to the hotel, except by walking down to the street entrance to the tower. Bishop Mackay-Smith was once caught by the peculiar plan of the escape and walked for the sixteenth story to the roof and the down to the ground. nth story to the roof and then

Mrs. Harris threw open the door into the fight provided Assistant District Atey Garvan and County Prosecutor
ion would agree that the Smiths be
ged with one offence and one only in
York, that of conspiring to extort
ey from Cæsar Young.

Mrs. Harris threw open the door into the
escape, but it shut with a spring and she
found berself a prisoner in a baloony partly
enclosed with wire and partly with an iron
railing. She did not know that the only
safe way of escape was by going to the
street, and fearing that she must remain
a prisoner she took the other way of getting back into the hotel

MISS SANFORD TO BE MARRIED.

The Young Woman Who Was a Leader in

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., April 10 .- The betrothal of Welton Stanford, Jr., of this city to Miss Bertha Sanford, the young Methodist field deaconess of Washington, has been announced. Miss Sanford came here several months ago to lead the revival meetings held in the State Street Methodist Church. She was the leading figure at all these meetings, always present with her zither, and to her can be credited a majority of the 2,000 converts, for it was her singing that drew thousands to these gatherings

Mr. Stanford, who comes from one of the wealthiest families in this part of the State, is a grand-nephew of the late Senator Stanford of California, is prominent in church work and is a deacon in the State Street Presbyterian Church. He was on a com-mittee which worked in conjunction with the leaders of the movement last wi and consequently saw a great deal of Miss Sanford, but no marked attentions to the deaconess were noted. On Saturday he announced their engagement. The date

BIG FLY WHEEL BURSTS.

Fragments Driven Through 16 Inch Wall -Employees in Panic.

Belleville, N. J., April 10 .- The bursting of a big fly wheel at the plant of the Hardman Rubber Company of this place this afternoon threw about three hundred employees, many of whom are girls, into a panic. Chunks of iron weighing 100 or more pounds were hurled through 16-inch

more pounds were huried through 10-mon brick walls to the street and the yard in the rear of the building.

The force with which the fragments struck the walls shook the building, and the employees, thinking the boiler had burst, made a mad rush to get out. Several girls fainted. The bursting of the wheel, it is said, was caused by the breaking of the governor belt on the engine. The accident will throw about two hundred employees out of work for about one month.

CZAR'S VALET ARRESTED. Caught Talking With Unknown Person Re-

garding Attempt on His Master's Life. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, April 11 .- The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Chronicle says that one of the Czar's valets was arrested in St. Petersburg Monday afternoon while he was in communication with an unknown individual regarding an attempt on the life of the Czar at Tsarakoe-Selo.

TO WED LORD ASHBOURNE'S SON. Mrs. Salisbury, Daughter of J. L. R. Wood of This City, His Flancee.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 10.-The betrothal is announced of Victor Gibson, son of Lord Ashbourne, Lord Chancellor of Ireland, and Mrs. Salisbury, daughter of J. L. R.

CITY'S DEATH RATE LOW.

Wood of New York.

Much Less Than Last April's-Meningitis Shows Falling Off.

According to the statement issued yesterday by the Health Department, the death rate for last week was 20.11 per thousand. For the corresponding week in 1904 the rate was 25,778, showing a decrease of

There were 110 deaths last week from cerebro-spinal meningitis, as against 131 the week before. In 1904 there were 29 deaths for the week corresponding to last week. All other diseases are reported as decreasing. There were 232 deaths last week from pneumonia, as against 244 the week before, while there were 429 deaths from pneumonia in the week of 1904 corresponding to last week.

THREATS TO WOMAN INSPECTOR Who Got Evidence Against Padrones-Witness Disappears.

James Rigoletti, one of the men emloyed by Commissioner of Licenses Keatng to get evidence against padrones who llegally exact money from Italians for finding them jobs as laborers, has disappeared. While Mr. Keating does not think that any harm has come to Rigoletti he thinks that the padrones have got at him and have probably shipped him to Italy. Marian F. Govan, an inspector in the department who has been getting evidence, has received in the past few days several threatening letters, as has another agent, named Moccarri, employed by Com-

ssioner Keating. Mr. Keating has secured warrants for the arrest of five padrones.

HICCOUGHED FOR A WEEK. Subway Motorman Goes to Believne Exhausted-No Relief in Sight.

Charles Javett, 85 years old, of 456 Third avenue, a subway motorman, walked into Bellevue Hospital yesterday afternoon and said he had had hiccoughs constantly for a week. He was so weak that he had to be

wheeled to a ward. Javett said that the attack came on three weeks ago and that he suffered intermittently until seven days ago. Since then there has been no let-up. He had no nourishment except two glasses of milk in that,

The attack had not been relieved at a

JEFFERSON DE ANGELIS HURT. Plays in "Fantana" With His Arm in Splints -Auto Lever Hit Him Jefferson De Angelis played in "Fantana" at the Lyric Theatre last night with his right arm in splints. He fractured his

kers while trying his automobile. A lever of the machine swung suddenly and hit It was a painful injury, and De Angelis would have staved home to nurse it, but he has no understudy. The audience at the Lyric last night was informed of the accident by a line in the programme beg-

funny as usual. But he was. NEW MANILA TROLLEY LINE.

Commissioner Forbes Starts First Car on Road Rullt by American Company.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Manilla, April 10.-The Railway and Lighting Company, which was incorporated in Hartford, Conn., in June, 1903, for operating electric railway and light plants in the Philippines, began operations to-day. Commissioner Cameron Forbes started the first car on the first railroad built by the com-

KILLED AT K. OF P. INITIATION. Pistol Used Was Supposed to Contain Only

Blank Cartridges. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 10.-While Ebenezer Runyan was being initiated by the local lodge of Knights of Pythias at Felsenthal, Ark., he was shot and instantly killed. Charles. Filler was officiating and was using a revolver which, in some way, had been loaded, although it was supposed to contain only blank cartridges.

The bullet entered Runyan's brain. TO TEST THE GAME LAW.

Suit to Decide Whether it Applies to Sale of Foreign Game in Closed Season. ALBANY, April 10,-Attorney-General Mayer said to-night that he expected to try in the Trial Term of the Supreme Court in New York city this week a case of considerable public interest involving the

constitutionality of the law which prohibts the sale of game in this State during the The case is that of August Silz, a dealer n game in New York, who was prosecuted or selling foreign game, the contention leing that the law applies to foreign as well

as domestic game.

The action is a test case and will establish the validity of the law, which it is asserted has been more or less of a dead letter, as many of the New York city hotels are accused of having violated its provisions.

MAYBE IT'S HICKS THE PIRATE. Skeleton Dug Up on Bedlow's Island With, Perhaps, Part of a Gibbet.

Workmen excavating for the foundations Government buildings on Bedlow's Island uncovered the skeleton of a man westerday afternoon. Near the bones, which fell to pieces when exposed to the air, was what seemed to be a part of a gibbet. It was said that the skeleton was that of Hicks the pirate, who was hanged on the island long ago. The bones were reinterred in another part of the island.

HENDRICKS WAITS.

Won't Approve Amended Equitable Charter Yet.

THE AGREEMENT NOT KEPT

Until Control of Executive Committee Is Surrendered.

Hyde and McIntyre May Intervene in Lord Sult, Not Ostensibly to Delay Mutualization, but to Get the Rights of the Stock Passed On-Mr. Lord's Counsel Adopts the View That a Surplus, Estimated at \$10,000,000, Belongs to the 1.000 Shares of 7 Per Cent. Stock-For the Society Mr. Hornblower Says That the Stock Has No Such Rights Under the Society's Charter.

Francis Hendricks, State Superintendent of Insurance, according to well informed authorities on the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, will not approve the amended charter of the society hurriedly taken to him at Syracuse on Friday night by Charles B. Alexander until the Harriman-Hyde directors carry out their original agreement with the policyholders' mittee concerning the reorganization of the executive committee of the society. It was even said last night that Mr. Hendricks is as angry as one of his placid temperament could be over the fact that the Harriman-Hyde directors have not kept faith with the policyholders' committee over the agreement as to the make-up of

the new executive committee. All hands, Edward H. Harriman and James Hazen Hyde and the coterie of Hyde dummy directors, together with the policyholders' committee, positively agreed on April 1, ten days ago, that the policyholders committee was to name two new members of the executive committee and Cornelius N. Bliss was to name two more, and in return for this surrender by the Harriman-Hyde folks the policyholders' committee agreed to be content with mutualization in two years, fourteen of the policyholders'

directors to be elected in 1905 and fourteen in 1906. Instead of carrying out their original agreement concerning the make-up of the new executive committee, the Harriman-Hyde directors got together on Thursday and adopted a resolution that a committee of three, Chauncey M. Depew, August Belmont and Alvin Krech, presi dent of the Equitable Trust Company, to which committee Cornelius N. Bliss was afterward added, be appointed to consult with Supt. Hendricks "after the amended charter shall have been approved by him" as to the selection of the

four new members of the executive committee. The committee was a lopsided affair to start with, Mr. Belmont, Mr. Depew and Mr. rech being of the Harriman-Hyde party. while Mr. Bliss has stoutly advocated the original proposition of the policyholders to have the representation of four new mem-

bers on the executive committee The Harriman-Hyde party quickly hustled Charles B. Alexander off to Syracuse to thrust the amended charter upon Supt. Hendricks and to urge him to a quick apright wrist on Sunday at his home in Yon- proval. But he demurs, it was said last night, to approving the amended charter, and will not approve it until the Harriman-Hyde party carry out their original agreement with the policyholders' committee concerning the selection of the four new members of the executive committee.

All sorts of vitriolic charges of breach of faith against the Harriman-Hyde contingent were heard last night.

ging for indulgence if De Angelis wasn't as "We don't believe," said an important factor in the situation, "that either Mr. Harriman or Mr. Hyde would carry out the agreement as to the four new members of the executive committee if the amended charter is approved by the Superintendent of Insurance. While Mr. Hendricks doesn't go as far as that, he believes that it would be wiser and fairer for Mr. Harriman and Mr. Hyde to carry out their part of the

programme first." Meantime Chairman Odell of the Republican State committee is keeping the cables piping hot in his anxiety to prevent an investigations of the society's affairs by the Legislature. Mr. Odell has had experience with legislative committees. had one at his heels to investigate his alleged purchase of negro voters in Newburgh a number of years ago. A legislative committee is oftentimes like a chunk of dynamite which will not explode when you want it to, and will sometimes rip and roar, knocking things about most unex-

pectedly. HYDE MAY-INTERVENE IN INJUNCTION BUIL The feature of the proceedings before Justice Maddox in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday on Franklin B. Lord's application as owner of thirty-six shares or stock in the Equitable to stay the mutuor stock in the Equitable to stay the mutualization was the development by Edward M. Shepard, one of Mr. Lord's counsel, of the theory that if the company were to be wound up, paying off or providing for all claims, its surplus assets would be the property of the stockholders. This surplus has been estimated at \$10,000,000, which would make the 1,000 shares of a stock pow limited to I per cent, dividends stock now limited to 7 per cent. dividends worth \$10,000 apiece.

Samuel Untermyer addressed the Court at the opening, asking leave to intervene in the future should be decide to do so as counsel for J. H. Hyde and W. H. McIntyre, a majority of the trustees of the Hyde stock. He said that the third trustee, Mr. Alexander, and not the society, was really represented by Messrs. Hornblower, Cohen

Alexander, and not the society, was really represented by Messrs. Hornblower, Cohen and Coby, a statement which Mr. Hornblower disputed.

"Mr. Hyde," said Ms. Untermyer, "is very largely interested in having this amanded charter now in the hands of the Superintendent of Insurance approved, and in having the transaction consummated at as early a time as possible, but he is also very largely interested in the determination of the grounds on which that approval shall be made. We are advised that the present contention of the defendants, as representing the interests of Mr. Alexander here rather than that of the society, is destructive of the interests of the stock. We do not agree with the contention of either side. We believe that the plaintiff is wrong in his contention that there is no power to amend this charter in the particulars in which it